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1. In the quarterly analysis of the material supply situation for the second quarter of 1954 in all enterprises under the Main Administration for Radio and Telecommunications Technology (HV RFT) in [illegible] Central Machine Construction of the East German Ministry [illegible] Machine Construction, it was stated that shortages of the materials listed below constituted a serious bottleneck to production even with respect to the reduced production plan.

Plan Position	Item	Amount
A. Group Iron and Steel		
1314159	High quality steels	40 tons
1314232	Sheet metal for transformers	700 tons
1316120	Spring band steel	45 tons
1314233	Drawn sheet metal	200 tons
1314300	Cast rolled pipes	50 tons
B. Group Nonferrous Metals		
1322200	Rolled products of brass	80 tons
1322300	Rolled products of bronze	3.5 tons
4725150	Cast aluminum parts	150 tons
4715160	Cast zinc parts	8 tons
C. Group Other Materials		
4618100	Blank canvas	70 tons
5135131	Telephone cables	190 kilometers
5135133	High frequency cables for combination cables	101 kilometers
5135990	Other cables and lines	799,000 DME
5141200	Stationary storage batteries	349,000 DME
5141300	Movable storage batteries	352,000 DME
5151100	Radio receiver tubes	300,000 [illegible]

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2. The analysis further specifically stresses the serious bottleneck constituted by the shortage of automatic steel and formed parts. 1 It is stated that import deliveries of automatic steel are insufficient. It is further stated that production of automatic steel in the enterprises located at Delitzsch, Lugau and Brotterode is not enough to cover the demands of East German industry.

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